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HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 832

By Cooper

A RESOLUTION to honor and congratulate Deidre Malone on her recognition as a 2018 Social Justice Honoree at the 110th Founders' Day Celebration of Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Incorporated.

WHEREAS, it is fitting that the members of this General Assembly should salute those citizens who, through their extraordinary efforts, have distinguished themselves as community leaders of whom we can all be proud; and

WHEREAS, one such noteworthy individual is Deidre Malone, who will be recognized as a 2018 Social Justice Honoree at the 110th Founders' Day Celebration of Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Incorporated; and

WHEREAS, founded in 1908, Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority is a true exemplar of the Greek system at work in the present day yet firmly rooted in its historic mission, having grown from a single chapter established at Howard University in Washington, D.C., to an international organization with more than 250,000 members in 1,012 chapters throughout the United States and across six countries; and

WHEREAS, Deidre Malone is the president/CEO of The Carter Malone Group, LLC (CMG), a public relations, marketing, advertising, and government relations firm, and has been a member of the Shelby County Commission since 2002, having served as chair of the budget, community services and housing, and economic development committees; and

WHEREAS, president of the Executive Board of the NAACP Memphis Branch and a member of numerous community organizations, Deidre Malone is the first African-American woman to serve as chair of the Shelby County Commission and the first woman to win a major party nomination for Mayor of Shelby County; and

WHEREAS, the success of the State of Tennessee, the strength of our communities, and the overall vitality of our society depend, in great measure, on the dedication of people such as Deidre Malone who use their considerable talents and resources to serve others; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED TENTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE SENATE CONCURRING, that we honor and congratulate Deidre Malone on being recognized as a 2018 Social Justice Honoree by Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Incorporated, at the 110th Founders' Day Celebration and extend to her our best wishes for much continued success in every future endeavor.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.